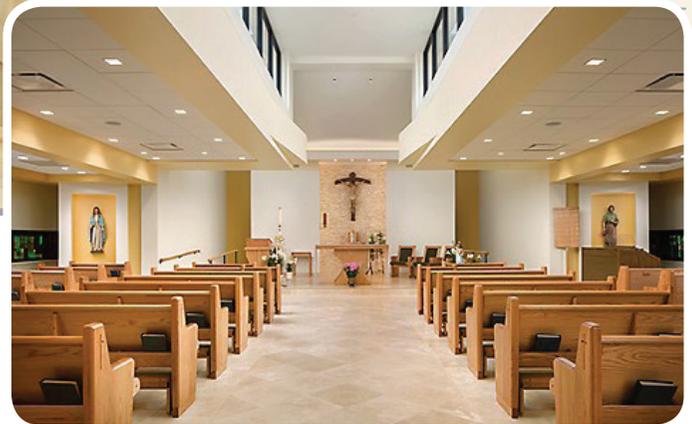




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### Save The Date

**Annual Nun Run**  
September 16, 2017

**Annual Spaghetti  
Dinner**  
November 5, 2017

**Fall Harvest Raffle**  
November 24, 2017

## All Are Welcome

### Chapel Blessings

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After a year of silence our chapel bells began ringing again in March with harmonious sounds throughout our home after completion of major renovations to our chapel. On March 29, we joyfully celebrated a Mass of Blessing with Bishop Malooly and our Residents, Little Sisters, local priests, deacons, benefactors and guests. Several members of the Knights of Columbus Honor Guard also joined in the dedication of our chapel with the pomp and ceremony deserving of this very special occasion.

Our chapel is the center of our home and pastoral care is an integral part of our mission. Having a peaceful, safe and comforting environment for our elderly family members and community allows them to participate in their choice of worship throughout the day or evening. Bishop Malooly noted during his homily, "That it takes a great deal of love and dedication to create a home such as Jeanne Jugan which cares for the whole person."

Through the recommendation of Fr. Nash, two very dedicated and talented parishioners (Joe Spanelli and Gary Phipps) of Holy Family Church shared their God-given carpentry talents with us by crafting our new altar, tabernacle stand, ambo, credence table and lecturn. Their workmanship was extraordinary and reflects their passion from their hearts and their hands. Alongside Joe and Gary, we were truly blessed with the many people who were instrumental in all the aspects of the planning, funding and implementation of our beautiful chapel where we can worship together to share spiritual values that reaffirm our Christian faith.

It is with grateful hearts that the Little Sisters extend an open invitation to come and visit our beautiful chapel for daily Mass, Rosary or silent prayer.

One of the hymns sung during Mass perfectly expresses the spirit of our chapel: "Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live ... All are welcome in this place."



# Little Sisters of the Poor

## Because of You

### Accolades to Jeanne Jugan Residence

A recent article “*Nuns at Apex of Medicare Rankings*” was posted in our local newspaper (Sunday News Journal—delawareonline.com) which highlighted many of the aspects of the mission of the Little Sisters and our home in Newark. We were delighted to share St. Jeanne Jugan’s vision and the constant need to care for the elderly who are unable to support themselves.

The Little Sisters and our staff recognize that we could not accomplish the work of our Foundress without the generosity of our friends and benefactors on a daily basis. This support comes in many ways from small acts of kindness to our Residents (listening to remembered tales from their youth, short walks around the home, visits from youngsters who invigorate their spirits and share in quiet moments of prayer) to grants from our local foundations who provide for the capital needs of an aging home and lastly, from you, our friends and benefactors who give generously through our repeated appeals for assistance.

A short excerpt from the article elaborates the spirit of St. Jeanne, “Jugan strongly opposed euthanasia and believed the elderly had an irreplaceable role in the family. Along with the traditional vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, the Little Sisters take a fourth vow of hospitality for the aged poor. She knew that growing old was a time of progressive dispossession, as eye-sight, hearing, muscle strength and memory begin to fail.”

The Little Sisters are forever grateful for the graces we receive from all who share in the care of our little family and we pray daily for your families and their intentions. Thank you!



**Above: Students from St. Mary Magdalen singing to the Residents.**

**Below: Students from St. Anne’s Episcopal School delivering paper product donations.**



## Sister Charles Patricia

Sister Charles Patricia joins us from the St. Augustine Home located in Indianapolis, Indiana. Sister Charles was raised in an area of Maryland within the archdiocese of Washington DC.

While attending Catholic school, Sister had the opportunity of volunteering with the Little Sisters of the Poor and later

working part-time for the Sisters. It was during this time that her passion for caring for the elderly was inspired by the joy and family spirit she experienced, which led to her profession in 1985.

We welcome Sister Charles Patricia to our home as she assumes her duties with the Residents in the Holy Family unit.

## Mother Margaret Regina's Golden Jubilee and Reflections on Our Lady of Fatima

On, May 13, Mother Margaret Regina celebrated her Golden Jubilee, marking fifty years of consecrated life as a Little Sister of the Poor at the service of the elderly. Mother chose to celebrate her Jubilee on the 100th anniversary of the apparition of Our Lady of Fatima to the three shepherd children, which took place on May 13, 1917. The actual day of her religious profession was in the spring on April 18, 1967.

The apparition of Our Lady of Fatima is very special to Mother Margaret Regina for several reasons. While attending Most Blessed Sacrament School, she volunteered with the Little Sisters of

the Poor. It was during this time she experienced the call of Christ. Through this attraction to the specific charism of seeing Jesus in those they served, she was invited to make the consecration to our Blessed Mother. The second reason she chose this feast is the foundress of the Little Sisters, St. Jeanne Jugan loved the rosary. She counseled the novices, in her day, to stay close to Mary, as she would be their Mother. The third reason is Mother Margaret Regina's family strove to pray the family rosary together daily.

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Mother Margaret Regina added that one sees in this apparition a "Mother's" concern for her children, as well as the importance of being faithful to one's duty, to pray and to offer little sacrifices for one another.

In her apparitions at Fatima Our Lady asked the children to pray the rosary daily. During the final apparition, on October 13, 1917, St. Joseph with the Child Jesus, who made the sign of the cross over the crowds, appeared with Our Lady, signifying the importance of family life. In responding to this plea of the Mother of God, she assured the children that peace would come about in the world if we heeded her plea, especially her request for prayers for the conversion of Russia.

The Fatima statue pictured below was recently given to Mother Margaret by her friends. They also volunteered at the home with her when they were in school. They remain close friends and knew that she loved this feast day. They decided to not only honor her Jubilee, but also make it an occasion of prayer, remembering especially her nephew Christopher, who recently died.



**Above: Completion of Jubilee Mass. Below: (from left to right) Father Sean Sukiel; Brother Thomas Cole, ofm; Mother Provincial; Mother Margaret Regina; Father Mark Cregan CSC**



**Mother Margaret's great nieces and nephew crown the statue of Our Lady of Fatima at the end of Mass.**

## Jeanne Jugan



## Family Favorites

Our Association Jeanne Jugan is collecting recipes for our first cookbook fundraiser from our friends and families at Jeanne Jugan Residence. We need your help to make this fundraiser a huge success! Do you have a delicious recipe that has been passed down from generation to generation? Those are the recipes we want you to share.

If you can submit your favorite recipe to the attention of Theresa Saxton or Sylvia Boc (typed or printed please) with your name and contact info—in case we have a question by July 15, it would be appreciated. You can also drop them off at the front desk of the Little Sisters of the Poor. The more recipes we receive, the more successful this project will be! Our personalized cookbooks should be available to purchase this Fall at the Spaghetti Dinner.

## Happenings in 2017

**July 23:** National Parents' Day

**August 13-19:** National Health Center Week

**September 10:** National Grandparents Day

**October 28:** Make A Difference Day

**Month of November:** National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month

## A Hundred Years Young

Just a day shy of St. Patrick's Day, Catherine Angelucci celebrated a very important milestone in her very vibrant life....100 Years Young! In regard to her history when interviewed, she exclaimed, "You don't have time because my life—my story is so big." Her story is the only thing big about this petite, lively, and friendly woman. She may appear frail, but she is strong in character. When she became a Resident at Jeanne Jugan Residence back in 2014, she explained, "In the last three years, I started to look old, but before that people couldn't

believe my age."

Life began for Catherine on March 16, 1917 in Philadelphia as the fifth of eight children. She had no problem figuring out her birth order and rapidly named her siblings according to age.

**"It has been both a hard and joyful life."**

Catherine described, "There were four boys and four girls.

We came from a big Catholic family—a happy family." Her story continued when she married her husband, George and raised two children, a daughter and a son. She now has five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Catherine reflects on the pictures of her family

and gave details about each one. She said, "I have albums with pictures of the past, but I don't like or care about the past. I care about these children."

The family is Catherine's central interest along with a devout spiritual life. She says the rosary with Mother Angelica and if she is unable to attend Mass, she watches it on EWTN. She revealed, "I pray all the time and God has answered. It has been both a hard and joyful life." Catherine continues to share her warmth and charm with all of the Residents, Little Sisters and staff at Jeanne Jugan Residence. Congratulations Catherine for sharing your special day with us!



**Above: Catherine Angelucci with her family members.**

**Below: Catherine with a family member and Sister Georgia.**

